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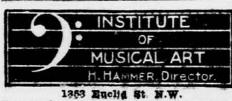
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ESTIMATES FOR YEAR 1908-9

Need of More Books and Larger Force Emphasized.

PLANS FOR BRANCH LIBRARY

Trustees Ask Legislation Required to Render Available Donation Made by Mr. Carnegie.

of the Public Library, together with the estimates for the ensuing fiscal year, and the report of Librarian Bowerman to the board of trustees, were submitted to the District Commissioners yesterday by Theodore W. Noyes, president of the board. In both the reports marked progress in every department of the library is shown, and the need of more books and a larger force of assistants, to meet the constantly growing demands upon the institution by the reading public, is given great emphasis. The co-operation of the public is earnestly sought to secure from Congress legislation which will mean acceptance of Mr. Andrew Carnegie's offer to donate whatever money may be required to build branch

In the estimates an appropriation aggregating \$78,960 is urged for the twe've months beginning July 1, 1908, as against \$54.640, the amount of the appropriation for the current fiscal year.

Report of the Trustees. The report of the board of trustees is as

follows: "In the year which ended June 30, 1907. the Public Library has developed steadily in resources and in usefulness to the people of Washington. Its volumes now number 92 937, a net increase of nearly 10 per cent during the year. It circulated 481,463 books during the year, an increase of over 11 per cent. Its registered borrowers increased to 45,231, a gain of over 13 per cent. The attendance in the reading room numbered 133,059, an increase of over 16 per cent. Open Shelves and Children's Library.

"The characteristic features of the library the open-shelf facilities and the children's library-have so developed as to render necessary additional room space for each of these branches of library work. This space is to be secured by transferring the children's library from the first floor to the large well-lighted room in the basement, designated as "future children's room" the architect's original plans, and by adding the former children's room to the open-shelf rooms on the first floor. The additional open-shelf space is to be utilized to render easily accessible to the public a special useful arts library from which notable public benefits should be derived.

Periodicals Room.

"It is hoped that next year a sufficient library force may be secured so that the room on the second floor designed as a periodicals room may be opened well The current magazines are now on file in the reference room, but they are not all of them shown on open shelves for lack of room. In further extension of the library's usefulness the librarian recommends that the library be opened for home circulation on Sunday as well as for reference reading-room purposes as at present.

Needed Appropriations.

"The library needs more books and a larger force. The additional books are to be obtained (1) by donations or endowments; (2) under existing law for miscellaneous circulating volumes in the government departmental collections and from duplicates in the Library of Congress; and (3) by an increased book appropriation of \$15,000. The special book appropriation of several years ago has been exhausted, and the desk fund available for books is nearly approach. expended. The trustees earnestly recom-mnd this increased appropriation for books, and also the provision of a more adequate library force, as suggested in the estimates and the notes accompanying them.

Branch Libraries.

"The trustees appeal for public co-operation in a final effort to secure from Congress legislation which will mean acceptance of Mr. Andrew Carnegie's offer to donate whatever money may be required from time to time to build all necessary branch libraries in the District of Columbia on the usual maintenance terms upon which his gifts are conditioned. In the second session of the Fifty-eighth Congress the House passed such legislation, but it failed in the Senate. In the last (Fifty-ninth) Congress the Senate passed an act involving this acceptance and making present use of \$30,000 of the proposed donation in the erection of a tranch library building at Takoma Park, but the House failed to act. If the legis'ation fails in this Congress the proposed donation_(estimated at \$350,000 or more) will doubtless large. doubtless lapse.

"Takoma Park was selected as the loca-tion of the first branch library (1) on ac-count of its remoteness from the central library and (2) on account of the excellent site for a library building which public-spirited citizens of the suburb have bought and donated for this public use.

As Passed by the Senate. "The bill as passed by the Senate June 18, 1906, reads as follows: 'An act to authorize the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to accept donations of money and land for the establishment of a branch library in the District of Columbia, to establish a commission to supervise the erection of a branch library building in said District, and to provide for the suitable maintenance of said branch.

"'Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized to accept from Andrew Carnegie a donation not exceeding \$30,000 for the purpose of erectrakema Park, subject to the approval of the Commissioners and the public library trustees, and to accept conveyance of unincumbered land considered suitable by the said Commissioners and library trustees as a site for a branch library for Takoma Park. And authority is hereby conferred upon a commission, to consist of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, the chairman of the committee on branch li-braries of the library trustees, and the librarian of the Washington Public Library, to supervise the erection of said branch library building; provided, that such branch library building shall not be opened for public use until Congress shall hereafter provide for the necessary expenses of maintaining said branch library when the same shall be completed and ready for such

"It is earnestly hoped that Congress will respond quickly to the appeal of this community by enacting this bill, accepting in effect Mr. Carnegie's donation. Improvement of Mt. Vernon Square. "In addition to more books, more assist-

ants and more branches, the library needs Washington certifiers were experienced therapy was reversely grandate; twenty years' experienced. Hierary was revised. From Laise Phillips School, 3 station 0, 80 2513, city, su24-604 to 1, 1807.

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but without success, and has consequently liscontinued it this year.

"In some way, by general appropriation or otherwise, provision ought to be made by Congress for the completion of this necessary work. The curbing and walks of the park should not be left in an unfinished condition, inharmonious with the beautiful library building.

Outfitting the Library Building. "In the successive annual reports account has been given not only of the original gift of \$350,000 by Mr. Carnegie for the construction of the building, but of his immediately subsequent gift of \$25,000 for

equipment and decorations. The original gift was exhausted on the building when it was finished, in 1902, and at the close of the fiscal year 1906 there remained of the latter gift but \$476.64.

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"During the past fiscal year the only expenditures made were: Clerical expense, \$25; hauling and handling furniture, \$12.

"Since the beginning of the present fiscal year the following items of furniture have been ordered, but are not yet delivered: One oak charging lesk, \$290; two combination settees, shelves and bulletin boards, \$90; railing and gate, children's room, \$35; five oak-hinged bulletin boards, \$20; total, \$472, leaving a balance on hand of but \$4.64."

Increase in Operating Force.

The estimates for payment of salaries, maintenance of the library and other expenses for the ensuing year, contemplating as they do an appropriation of \$78,960. provide for several increases in the operating for e of the institution, and also for incr ases, which are deemed important, in the salary of the librarian and several of his assistants. It is asked that Librarian Bowerman's salary be made \$4,000 instead of \$3,000, the added amount being designed. nated as "requisite to make the salary commensurate with the services rendered and to put it on a par with the salaries lil-raties of equal rank."

The estimate for the assistant librarian for 1908 calls for \$1.800 instead of \$1,500, "to retain an officer of sufficient ability to perform the administrative duties of his position." The greater responsibility at-tached to the children's department incldent to the opening of the children's room in the basement is given as the reason for a request for an increas of \$200 in the sal-ary of the librarian of this department. The creation of the office of "chief of the circulating department," a \$1,500 position, is specified as a crying need. New duties have been placed upon the shoulders of the reference librarian in connection with the opening of the useful arts section, and it is desired that the salary of the chief of this division be made \$1,200 in-stead of \$1,000.

In the Order Department.

Under the heading of "chief of the order department" an estimate is made for \$1,200 as compensation for "an adequately paid chief having business ability and knowledge of books, their prices," etc. Two new assistants in this same department at \$900 each are also desired. Three additional assistants in the order department at \$840 each are also provided in the estimates, and in reference to these positions

"One of these new assistants is needed for highly responsible work in the useful arts section, one to take charge of the school work of the children's department and one to be first assistant in the book order department." Another new position which it is carnestly urged shall be created is a chief of the catalogue department at a salary of \$1,500. per annum, a salary which, it is stated, is no more than is paid to at least fifteen cataloguers holding subordinate positions in other local libra les. An increase of one assistant in the cataloguing division at

\$84) is also requested. Three cataloguers who appear in the current appropriation under the designation of temporary employes at an angual salary of \$540 are provided for in the estimates on the permanent payroll, and it is stated there is no prospect that they can be spared. Other salary increases and new positions provided for include the following: Two new attendants at \$600 each, five attendants at \$540 each instead of \$480 each, five attendants at \$480 each instead of \$360 each, two messengers at \$480 each instead of \$360 each, an increase in the salary of the equipped, for the enjoyment of the public. engineer from \$000 to \$1,200 and a new special officer at \$720 per annum, whose duties are intended to include the main-

tenance of order about the library and the protection of library property.

Sunday and Holiday Duties. For keeping the library open Sundays and holidays, including extra services on Saturday afternoons in July, August and September, an allowance of \$2,500 is asked, as compared with the present appropriation of \$1,700, it being stated that the latter sum does not provide for the home circulation of books on Sundays, which is deemed desirable. Fifteen thousand dollars is asked for purchase of new books next year, or exactly twice as much as is carried in the current appropriation. The fol-lowing argument is advanced in support of

the requested increase:
"The regular annual book fund should not be less than \$15,000. This is shown by the rapid increase in circulation, the need for extensive duplication, the increase in the cost of books through the operation of the net price system, the need for buying many technical books, the desirability of extending the periodical list and the de-

mand for newspapers."
"The increase in circulation and the increasingly poor quality of publishers' bindings" are given as the reasons for an increase from \$3,500 to \$4,000 in the estimate for rebinding books next year. For fuel, lighting, fitting up building and other contingent expenses an allowance of \$8,000 is desired for next year, an increase of. \$1,000.

Summary of Increases.

The following summary shows the distribution of the increases specified in the estimates:

New offices asked for:
Chief circulation department 1,200
Chief order department 1,500
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Two assistants at \$900 each 1,800
Three assistants at \$840 each 2,520
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Library guard 720 Increases of salaries asked for: Other increases asked for:

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

Mr. George F. Bowerman, librarian of the District Public Library, in his annual report to the trustees of that institution, covers the third year of his service as librarian-the fiscal year ended June 30. It forms a part of the report submitted to the Commissioners by the library trustees.

MR. BOWERMAN'S DETAILED

STATEMENT TO TRUSTEES.

Among the improvements of the year es pecially noted by the librarian are the changing of the hours of opening to 9 a.m. -9 p.m., instead of 10 a.m.-10 p.m., as heretofore; the assignment of an assistant to the information bureau practically every hour of the opening of the library; the publication for free distribution of a monthly bulletin of new accessions; the establishment of a collection of pictures devoted to geography, history and art objects for use by schools and clubs, and the displaying of several exhibitions in the new exhibition cases on the second floor." The librarian also makes special mention of the great im-provement in bookbinding methods. "Looking toward future development,"
Mr. Bowerman resumes, "the securing of
substantial additions to the staff, effective
July 1, is cause for congratulation, inas-

ing the last year was 481,463. Of this number 404,777 volumes were sent out from the central library, 16,339 from seven deposit stations, and 317 volumes from two high schools. The new library building was occu- SWINDLERS VICTIMIZE THREE pied in January, 1903. A comparative statepied in January, 1903. A comparative statement showing the home circulation for the last five years is therefore of interest. The figures are: For 1902-3, 214,261; for 1903-4, 278,188; for 1904-5, 353,196; for 1905-6, 433,096; for 1906-7, 481,463. These figures show that the circulation during the past year was 2½ times as great as that of 1902-3, and 73 per cent larger than that of 1903-4. "The reduction in the percentage of fiction has been substantially maintained. The percentage this year is 69, as against 68 for the year previous. Reference to previous reports shows that in 1903-4 83.7 per cent of the circulation was fiction.

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"One way in which the library has greatly

gained in public, acceptability has been through the plan of issuing cards to adult applicants on the day the application is filed, instead of requiring them to wait two days as heretofore

Useful Arts Room.

"The past year has seen a marked inrease in the use of books and magazines devoted to engineering and technology generally. It has been a matter of common observation that users of such literature often require more help in finding the material wanted than other readers. This is a strong reason why books in this field should be tained. vallable on open shelves instead of only by reference to the catalogue. It has seemed vise to occupy the room made vacant by the removal of the children's department to the basement as a special useful arts li-brary. In it will be displayed for direct access all the resources of the library in the field of technology, including reference and circulating books and current period-

icals "One feature of this new department will appeal strongly to merchants, manufac-turers, engineers and mechanics. It is purposed to gather a collection of typical trade catalogues covering every important manufacturing industry, such as catalogues of office supplies, desks, furniture, safes, automobiles, plumbers' supplies, printing and binding machinery, machine tools, et

Work With Schools.

"The work now done for schools is not inconsiderable. The teachers' reference library has been removed to the main reading room, where it and the twenty current pedagogical periodicals have much use by teachers and others. Much use is made by teachers of their ten-book cards, on which books may be kept four weeks without renewal. Many teachers now resort to this means for securing books which they in turn loan to their children for home use, thus modestly beginning a plan which re-quires deposits of from twenty-five to fifty volumes in each schoolroom to make it most effective.

"The resources of the new picture collection were first offered to the teachers in the Marcfi number of the educational bulletin. The geographical pictures especial ly were at once in demand for class work Teachers have also taken for geography work many of the travel pamphlets issued by raliway and steamship companies and gathered for the summer travel exhibi-Deposit Stations.

"The establishment of a system of branch

libraries is yet a thing to be hoped for, but Congress still withholds permission to accept any of Mr. Carnegie's money offered for that purpose. Meantime seven deposit stations have been established, six of them in co-operation with social settlements and one in co-operation with the Playgrounds Association. "During the year seventeen organizations heid sixty-one public meetings at the library, fifty-eight in the lecture hall and three in the children's room. The attend-

small meetings in one of the study rooms on the second floor. Books and Periodicals Acquired.

"At the close of the fiscal year 1905-6 the net strength of the library was 84,557 volumes. During the past year 13,064 volumes were added to the collection and 4,624 vol- Attorneys for Corporations Seek Modiumes were withdrawn as worn out, so that the net strength of the library at the end of the year under review was 92 937 volumes. The year's book access ons were acquired as follows: By purchase, 10,636 volumes; by gfft, 2,455 volumes, and ty binding periodica's, 253 volumes. The total cost of the purchases was \$11,721.86. This was met from the following funds: Congressional appropriation, \$7,499.90; desk fund, \$4,085.20; Woman's Anthropological Society fund, \$12; exchange of old books and periodicals, \$124.67. The number of books accessioned was 2.967, less than in 1905-6, and the amount expended for books was \$2,156.35, less than the book expenditures

of the previous year.
'As usual, the library has received as gifts a large number of books, pamphlets and periodicals from citizens of Washington and from other individuals, associations and publishers. The record shows that these gifts numbered 2,321 bound and 488 unbound volumes, 1,662 pamphlets, 5,532

numbers of periodicals, besides other mis-

cellaneous matter. Discarded Works. "By permission of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, in whom the title of all library property vests, the library regularly turns over to the various chartable and reformatory institutions, to the fie stations, etc., of the District discarded books and periodicals. By this plan about

4,702 volumes and 2,511 numbers of magazines were sent to twenty institutions.

Popular Exhibitions. "With the installation early in the year of five large glazed exhibition cases in the second floor lobby it has been possible to begin a series of popular exhibitions of historical, geographical and art pictures. The first exhibition was one of original and reprint book illustrations to accompany the collection of books suitable for Christmas gifts shown in one of the study rooms on the second floor from November 21 to December 31, 1906. The book exhibition was attended by 2,387 persons, exclusive of children. The picture exhibition was visited by

a far larger number.
"The exhibition of summer travel pamph lets, consisting of material issued by railway and steamship companies, has come to be an annual affair. Copies of some of the pamphlets received are of sufficient value to warrant adding them to the permanent collection of the library.

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"During the fiscal year twenty-nine persons left the library service. These included ten library assistants, eighteen pages and one charwoman. It is expected that the number of pages leaving will be lower another year, for beginning July 1 the salaries of pages were by act of Congress increased from \$240 to \$360. During the year the entire force numbered fifty-four persons."

FORTUNE IN SIGHT FOR YEAKLE Former Baltimore Man Located After a Long Search.

pecial Dispatch to The Star. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., October 5 .-Thomas Yeakle, thirty-eight years old, who has been employed as a dishwasher in hotels in Indianapolis, sees a fortune of something like \$80,000 in sight, and has left for Chicago to try to obtain it. Edward A. Warfield of Chicago, administrator of the estate of George T. Cline, who died in Chicago some months ago leaving an estate of \$2,000,000, located Yeakle in Indianapolis

yesterday afternoon after a long search, and sent for him. Yeakle is a nephew of the late millionaire. Seven years ago he disappeared from his home in Maryland and never returned.

NEW MEXICAN STATEHOOD. Alleged Promise From the President for Single Admission.

EMPLOY UNFAIR MEANS

LOCAL BUSINESS HOUSES

Inspector Boardman has his detectives looking for a young man who is alleged to have made an unfair trade at the jew elry store of Berry & Whitmore, 11th and F streets, yesterday afternoon. A welldressed individual entered the store and asked to see some gold watches. The clerk took a tray of expensive gold timepieces from a case and put them where the customer could examine them. The latter displayed more than an ordinary amount of interest in what was shown him, and when

he was ready to leave he said he would reach a decision later.

A short time after the visitor left the store it was discovered that a valuable watch, worth at least \$100, had been taken from the tray and a lady's gold watch worth about \$25 left in its place. The police were notified and Detective Pratt was to make an investigation. He ed a description of the man who is alleged to have operated the "pennyweight" game but no clue to his identity has been ob-

Obtains Shoes by Trick.

"Dr. Williams," as a young man represented himself yesterday at the store of Parker, Bridget & Co., when he bought a pair of shoes, is wanted by the police to answer a charge of larceny. He called at the store, selected shoes for which he promised to pay \$5 and ordered them sent to the

The m ssenger who delivered the shoes was met at the door by the young man and the latter took charge of the package. When the messenger grew tired of walting for the individual to return with the mone he went back to the store and reported the

Works Flim-Flam Game.

The flim-flam game was worked on Frank Fealey, a clerk in Christiani's drug store 484 Pennsylvania avenue, last night, the operator walking away with \$5 belonging to the druggist. It was related to Detective Cornwell that the man who worked the game entered the store and purchased a cigar. He handed the clerk a \$10 bill and about the time the latter had made the change the customer suddenly recalled that he had a \$1 bill in his pocket. It was while the change was being made that the clerk became confused and the customer walked from the store with money belonging to the druggist.

FOUND GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY. End of Marrin Case at Philadelphia. Echo of Storey Suit.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., October 5.-Frank D. C. Marrin, alias Judge Franklin Stone, was found guilty in the United States court here today of conspiring to use the mails to defraud in connection with the Storey Cetton Company of this city, which was closed several years ago by the postal authorities. The jury was out nineteen hours.

The government claimed that the con-

cern collected more than \$1,000,000 from

persons throughout the country for invest-

ment in cotton, promising huge profits, but that this amount was retained by the prorictors. During the trial it was brought out Dai Marrin had spent considerable money in promoting prize fights in this city and in the purchase of a number of Kentucky

Following the exposure of the concern Marrin and several others connected with the concern fied to Europe: Marrin re-turned to America and was arrested in Bufance at these meetings aggregated about 9,849. Ten organizations held eighty-six

> LEATHER MERGER OPPOSED. Special Disputch to The Star. NEWARK, N. J., October 5.-Application

for a modification of the injunction resting against the United States Leather Company enjoining it from consolidating with the Central Leather Co. was made yesterday to the vice chancellor by lawyers representing the two big leather corporations. With the application was filed a supplemental answer to the bills filed by James C. Colgate and Robert L. Johnson, minority holders respectively of the common and

preferred stocks, whose suits resulted in the existing injunction. The supplemental bill embodied the fext of a new agreement adopted by the directors of the defendant companies on August 27 last, and likewise the text of resolutions approved the same day rescinding the merger agreement of December 18, 1906, the consummation of which was

checked by the injunction. Lipton Cannot Visit Jamestown. NORFOLK, Va., October 5. Sir Thomas lipton, in a letter received today by President Rucker of the Jamestown exposition, expresses great disappointment at finding his business engagements such as will prevent his coming to the exposition. "This," said Sir Thomas, "I had been looing for-ward to with the utmost possible pleasure." He adds that the exposition has his best wishes and that he is glad if anything he has done "may prove to have stimulated interest in yachting or contributed in the

slightest degree to the success of the ex-PIMPLES STOPPED

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write you a volume of thanks, I am so gratefu

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